

REMARKS

Applicants' representative, Wan Yee Cheung, thanks Examiner Kawsar for his courtesies during two telephone conversations on March 12 and March 17, 2008 regarding the status and claims of the present application. Applicants' representative understood that the claims, as amended in this Supplemental Amendment, will all be allowable. Accordingly, this amendment is submitted to expedite the allowance of the present application.

Claims 3-4 have been canceled, and new claims 8-13 have been added.

Claim 1 has been amended by incorporating all features from dependent claims 3 and 4. Claim 5 has been amended to depend from claim 1.

New independent claim 8 incorporates all features from the original claim 1 and from dependent claims 3 and 5.

New claims 9-11 depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 8, with features corresponding to those of claims 2, 6 and 7, respectively.

New independent claim 12 is directed to a controller that includes all features from the amended claim 1, and new independent claim 13 is directed to a controller that includes all features from claim 8.

Support for new claims 12-13 can be found in Fig. 14, and on p.11, lines 1-22 of the original specification. As such, no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that none of the claims, presently in the application, are anticipated or obvious under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103.

Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404, so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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